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by Alisa Gordaneer

Whites vote 'Yes', but injustice continues

by Chris Vance

White South Africans voted to dismantle apartheid March 17, but the people affected disagree about the referendum's method and potential consequences.

About 70 per cent of whites gave the go-ahead to continue negotiations for a new, more inclusive constitution.

"The yes vote is going to do nothing to change the situation for black people in South Africa," said Sam Ditshego, publicity secretary for the South African Support Committee in Victoria.

"Apartheid has been declared a crime against humanity by the international community. How can an illegitimate government provide a solution?

"To me, as a black South African, no white person can decide on my survival," said Ditshego. "And we are talking survival here—we're talking violence in the townships, poverty and oppression," said Ditshego.

Abnar Maduna, an African National Congress spokesperson in Toronto, responded differently. "We're happy that [President] F.W. de Klerk won.

"There is no apartheid in South Africa, it is the [remaining] structures we're trying to get rid of," said Maduna.

The ANC's support from "the majority of South Africans" legitimizes the negotiation process with the white minority government, said Maduna.

Ditshego criticised the media for excluding a range of black South African opinions during the referendum debate and assigning only white journalists, who "don't know our experiences.

"The voices of reason, the desperate voices, are being drowned; there's a lot of media manipulation."

The white minority government headed by de Klerk has been negotiating reforms with the Convention for a Democratic South Africa (CODESA) for over a year.

The ANC's vision for a democratic South Africa would allow every adult a vote, and would promote "equal rights for everybody," said Maduna.

The ANC is not pressing for a socialist government, such as neighbouring Zimbabwe, but would "work toward the sharing of wealth in the country."

"CODESA and the ANC are forging ahead with the democratic process," said Maduna.

Major groups composing CODESA include the government appointed Homeland leaders and the ANC, said Ditshego.

The more militant Pan Africanist Congress and the Azanian People's Organization are boycotting the negotiations.

Ditshego said unless a constituent assembly representing the South African population was given power to draft a new constitution the government would remain "illegitimate" and negotiations would amount to "a fraud".

Caution in regard to negotiating with the white government is nothing new.

Black resistance to apartheid has been as strong as the government's repression. Many blacks have risked their lives to attain freedom.

The ANC and PAC were banned in 1961 and their leaders imprisoned; both organizations were legalized in the last two years.

In the 1970's a younger generation of blacks organized the Black Consciousness movement through AZAPO and the South African Students Organization, headed by Steve Biko.

Biko was murdered in custody by Afrikaner police on Sept.12, 1977.

Biko believed only blacks could ensure their liberation, and negotiations could make black organizations puppets of the white minority.

"Today, the one man, one vote solution would spell disaster, economically, for the black masses. For the white man, it would be the greatest solution!

"It would encourage competition among blacks, you see, and it would eliminate the most important ground for critique from abroad of the present regime.

"But it would not change the position of economic oppression of the blacks. That would remain the same," said Biko in a 1977 interview. ❑

Museum's focus on white explorers ignores perspective of aboriginals

by Andrew Mori

Native educators are questioning a Maritime Museum children's tour which said Vancouver Island Native people were cannibals when Europeans arrived.

An actor portraying Captain George Vancouver spoke to classes on the tour as if they were members of his crew exploring the West Coast in the eighteenth century.

"The target group will only hear 'cannibalism' when it was supposed to be a talk on navigation..."

Liz Webster, education officer for the museum, said the talk was intended to teach early navigation and mapping techniques using excerpts from Vancouver's manuscripts.

But a video accompanying the presentation uses quotes from Vancouver's journals which describe First Nations peoples as cannibals.

"The target group will only hear 'cannibalism' when it was supposed to be a talk on navigation," said Shane Pointe of the First Nations Education Division for School District 61.

Pointe, who is of Salish/Nuu' chah' nulth descent, said the quote is totally unnecessary since the talk is supposed to focus solely on navigation.

Pointe reviewed the videotape with Webster and said while he finds the bulk of it acceptable, he is worried about the impression of First Nations peoples the school groups took away with them.

Webster said 2,000 students from five school districts saw the presentation.

A travelling show took the video to Nanaimo, Port Alberni, Lake Cowichan and Parksville.

The exhibition was partially funded by the Ministry of Government Services' Maritime Bicentennial Program.

Pointe said while a presentation on white explorers is valid, it ignores the larger picture.

"When they talk about the accomplishments of white discoverers, the roles of others get minimized," said Pointe.

"What gets ignored is that First Nations had already mapped out their own socio-economic territories well before the white explorers did." ❑

NEWS "Pat Buchanan is the thinking man's David Duke," *Jay Leno, The Tonight Show*

Guatemalan students' union fights the power

by Ana Torres and Chris Vance

While Canadian students worry about tuition hikes and bicycle parking, those at San Carlos University in Guatemala worry about which of their classmates will be murdered next.

At San Carlos, the only public university in Guatemala, the Asociación de Estudiantes de la Universitanos has become a target for military and government repression, said Juana, a member of the AEU, whose name has been changed for personal security reasons.

The AEU is the university's equivalent to UVic's students' society, and their leaders are elected by the student body. But defending the rights of students in Guatemala results in bombed offices, kidnappings, and assassinations of student leaders.

Since the AEU's founding in 1920, members have suffered from direct attacks which have escalated in the last 15 years.

In 1978, the AEU's Chair was murdered and no investigation was made.

In a recent open letter addressed to "fellow students of Canada" the AEU said, "In 1984 the entire executive of our organization was kidnapped by paramilitary forces. The ten students remain disappeared."

Five years later, 14 student leaders were kidnapped by death squads. Five of the leaders' corpses appeared on campus with signs of torture. The other nine are assumed to be dead.

On Jan. 30 of this year the AEU's office was bombed. No investigation has occurred.

"In almost all cases of kidnappings, murders, torturing and disappearances, the ones responsible have been members of the military and police," said Marta Torres De La Vega, a member of the United Representation of the Guatemalan Opposition.

Torres De La Vega quoted Phillip Heyman's 1990 address to the U.S. Congress. Heyman, of the Harvard Law Centre, said he withdrew a Harvard law program in Guatemala because he "did not want to contribute to form[ing] a judiciary system that did not prosecute powerful perpetrators of human rights violations."

Juana said the problems of Guatemalan students are not limited to the lack of school supplies but extend to basic human needs such as health care, housing and food.

"The students have the clarity of conviction that peace in our country is not the silencing of the rifles; peace will arrive when living standards increase," said Juana.

Low wages and a relatively high cost of living ensures that students remain poor, as is 87 per cent of the general Guatemalan population, said Juana.

The AEU's most recent struggle is opposing the government's plans to privatize the university.

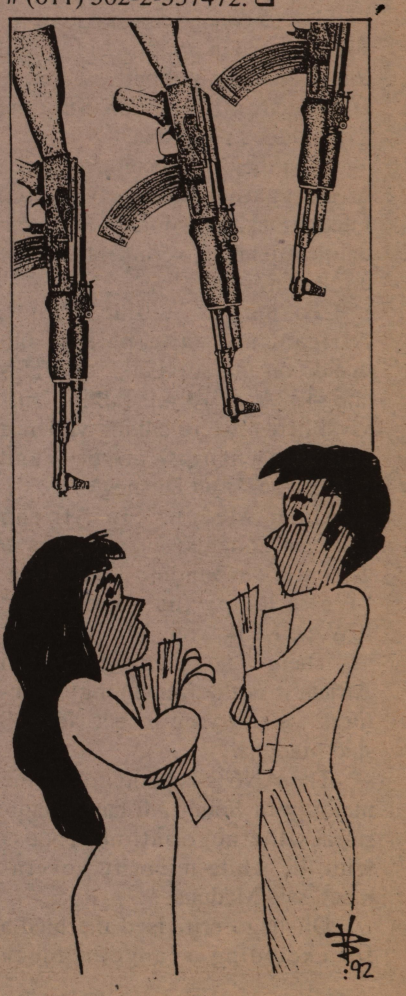
Privatization would make post-secondary education accessible to no more than 2 per cent of the population who could afford it, said Torres De La Vega.

Presently, 95 per cent of the population has no access to university education in Guatemala, according to AEU research.

"Privatization would light the match for rebellion," said Juana. "The university's autonomy, won in 1944, was paid with blood. To allow privatization would be to betray the martyrs."

Canadian students can help support the AEU, Juana said. "Write urgent actions, petitions and letters to the Guatemalan government and army urging them to stop threatening and repressing the students and investigate kidnappings and murders."

Juana said letters may be sent to Jorge Serrano Elias, Presidente de la Republica, Palacio Nacional, Guatemala, Guatemala, C.A.; fax # (011) 502-2-537472. ❑



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"I almost believed that borders, as well as nationalities , existed only in people's heads," *Slavenka Drakulic, on her view of the Yugoslavia before civil war* **NEWS**

Strike threatens to shut UBC down

by Graham Coleman

A strike for pay equity and living wages by over 3,000 support workers at the University of British Columbia threatens to close the campus down.

Protesting against what they say is an unfair wage policy, Canadian Union of Public Employees locals 2950 and 116 began a legal strike March 9.

CUPE local 2950 represents the university's clerical, secretarial, library, clinical and computer workers, while local 116 represents the trades, food services, and custodians.

Both locals have been working without a contract since April 1991.

The UBC administration offered the workers an initial 3.8 per cent pay increase for April 1991 — March 1992, and a subsequent 2 per cent for the rest of the contract.

According to Statistics Canada, Vancouver's cost of living increased 73 per cent between 1981 and 1990, while the UBC CUPE workers' wages increased only 48 per cent.

"During the last ten years we've lost 25 per cent of our buying power," said Leslie Hodson of Local 2950.

The average annual wage for a member of local 2950 is $24,000, Hodson said. "It's not very much in today's world, yet the university insists on chipping away at our already meagre income."

Frank Eastham, UBC associate vice-president of human relations, said, "I assure you, our people (CUPE local 2950) have an equity case. The university is not denying that."

Ninety-five per cent of local 2950's workers are women.

Ann Hutchison, media-relations spokesperson for local 2950, said each day the strike continues it becomes more effective at shutting down the UBC campus.

Hutchison said the university library system has been severely curtailed, opening for only six hours a day instead of 15, and restricting its activities solely to the signing-out of books.

She added the operations of the UBC bookstore have been similarly restricted, and as of March 13, the faculty club has been closed.

An impromptu association of "Students for Fair Treatment," has been holding rallies outside the picket lines in support of the unions' job-action. In one demonstration, students blocked an intersection, preventing scabs from driving across the lines.

Hutchison said the school of Social Work shut down and joined workers on the picket line. Likewise, over half the law faculty is out.

Several incidents and developments have tarnished the strike.

In the strike's emotional first week, two striking workers were injured when someone tried to drive through the picket line. One worker was taken to the hospital. Campus RCMP removed the driver.

In an attempt to deal with the campus's growing waste problem, the university has offered its management staff double-time to collect garbage from around campus, said Paula Martin, a spokesperson for the university.

Vic Wilson, president of local 2950, said garbage is being dumped at an open site on UBC's TRIUMF project ground.

The regular campus newspaper, the *Ubyssey*, is not printing during the strike.

A right-wing newspaper, *The UBC Student*, has formed, staffed by strike-breaching students and contravening the codes and by-laws of UBC's Alma Mater Society.

"We will be boycotting the scab paper," said Hutchison.❑

African feminist critical of narrow western outlook

MONTREAL (CUP) — Western feminism has forgotten the average woman, said Juliana Abbenyi, speaking about black feminism from an African feminist's perspective at the Black Studies Centre, Concordia University, Montreal.

Abbenyi is a McGill student finishing her doctorate in sub-Saharan women's literature. She was born in Cameroon and has been in Canada for three years.

"My mother died in 1984 at 46 years of age. She had 10 children and was uneducated," Abbenyi said. "Do those of us who sit in classrooms think of these women as feminists? I think this is the greatest failure of feminism."

Abbenyi said the need to publish black feminist thought arose from dissatisfaction among black feminists.

"In the late 60s and early 70s, these black women (and some women of colour) felt like they were treated as 'other;' considered aggressive or deviant; or were simply ignored by white feminists."

"African women have not only denounced feminism which they view as an elitist movement for a group of privileged western women but the political agenda of feminism as well," Abbenyi said.

She said women like Chandra Mohanty argue western feminists present women as a homogeneous entity. They see African women as being sexually restrained and uneducated, submissive, ignorant, domestic and poor. Western feminists, of course, are modern and in control of their bodies.

"African women do not feel that western women want to listen to their experiences, their lives," Abbenyi said.

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Plan to cover more ills, less pills

by Lisa Langford

Students have just under two weeks to stock up on drugs, but after that they might save on massage therapy.

A UVic Students' Society referendum will determine if students approve a $27 increase to an existing health plan, which would raise annual premiums to $87 and restructure the benefits.

Voting down the increase will eliminate any extended coverage.

Proponents of the increase say the restructured plan is a good economics and will be more accessible to students.

Opponents say the plan is financially unhealthy.

George Pringle of the 'No' side said health plan premiums have increased 350 per cent since the plan was voted in by referendum in 1989.

Pringle said student budgets are tight enough without paying for an extended plan. "The bottom line is, we haven't had a student loan increase . . . from the provincial government in two years."

Marne Jensen, UVSS director of finance and spokesperson for the 'Yes' side, said an $87 plan partially covering prescriptions and other preventive health care services is better than paying 100 per cent of drug and service costs.

Jensen said the proposed increase stems from heavy plan use this year. UVic students claimed $250,000 worth of services above what was paid out in premiums.

"We're asking for the increase to cover anticipated claims."

The average UVic claim last year was $198.

Eighty percent of this year's claims were for prescriptions, which were covered 100 per cent. If the referendum passes, prescription coverage will drop to 80 per cent, and services such as chiropractics, massage therapy, and naturopath and psychologist visits will be partially covered.

Jensen said the switch in emphasis to preventive health care should balance tensions between students who don't use or need prescriptions and users who made claims solely for such coverage.

Pringle said partial coverage for preventive services like naturopathy "is a user fee as far as I'm concerned."

He said the society didn't shop around for the cheapest plan. "We always use the CFS stuff."

Jensen said the national bargaining power of the Canadian Federation of Students helped UVic get "the best possible deal. Part of the reason Mutual Life has put up with losing thousands of dollars each year is that we're a national plan."

Rising costs are a problem, said Jensen. "It is getting expensive, and at some point students will have to vote no; but not now. It's still a good deal."

Financial considerations aren't the only concern raised by the 'No' side. Pringle said Jensen contravened a constitutional clause which demands 14 days' notice of referenda questions so 'No' sides have sufficient time to organize.

An ad appeared 13 days before the first of two days of voting. Jensen said advertisements appeared 14 days before the second day.

The referendum is March 25 and 26.❑

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"It is finished," *Erica Adams, S. African coloured woman citing Pres. de Klerk's pressure that ended an engagement with his son*

GUEST EDITORIAL

Status quo = racism

by Alex Jamieson, Chair of UVic Students for Aboriginal Rights

Racism takes forms ranging from genocide and land theft to allowing white people to direct and teach Indian students about Aboriginal self-government.

This happens at UVic.

Why is UVic and the rest of the arrival community allowed to occupy Indian land? Because Canada uses brute force, guns, and priests with jars of Vaseline to enforce a racist, white law that produces an image of moral and legal justification to steal our land and murder our people. That's racism.

Why is one of UVic's residences named after Joseph Trutch, one of the most notorious racists in Canada's colonialist history? Because by occupying Coast Salish land and idolizing past racists this "institution of higher learning" reinforces it's own ethno-centric values.

The continuous racist socialization of the university population can be as subtle as singing "our home and native land" instead of "our home on Native land", or as brutal as teaching Social Work students to place our children in a different culture, usually to "good, white Christian homes".

The same socialization process often produces internalized racism in Indian communities.

The status quo in Canada includes racism and those who benefit from the status quo have a vested interest in maintaining it.

Internalized racism in Indian people is a difficulty for the rest of us who fight the legislated and institutionalized racism Canada is founded upon.

There is a great disservice being done to us when the "Hang Around The Fort Indians" maintain their own oppression by involving themselves in the Commonwealth Games, rather than exposing these nations as a criminal coalition founded on the rape and plunder of other nations and their lands.

It's internalized racism (and white money) that would cause some Indians to celebrate Columbus' arrival through "song and dance", but not use the quincentennial opportunity to expose the fact Columbus is alive and well under the assumed names of Andrew Petter, Tom Siddon, and Brian Mulroney.

Even Ovide Mercredi, leader of the Assembly of First Nations, has backed away from "distinct society" status for Indians; understandable, given the fact his organization is bankrolled by Mulroney.

Whether it's internalized racism or government manipulation, the "Brown White People" do not speak for me, the Lil'Wat, the Mohawk, or other sovereign Indian nations.

We do not have to celebrate Columbus or join your constitution; if we did we would be party to our own oppression and destruction of the earth.

To eliminate racism, child poverty, homelessness and the relentless rape of our mother, the arrival community must join the Indian constitution, which is based on taking only what is needed and respecting differing cultures.

Your constitution allows people to starve and hang themselves so others can live in luxury. It's not only racist but sexist, classist, ageist — the list goes on.

Until the few in power are equalized the rest of us will suffer. Until then we maintain the right to defend our territories, people, and dignity through whatever means necessary.❑

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Wise up, *ladies*

Editors:

What was the real purpose of the "Tuition Rebate" poster campaign sponsored by the Women's society? I believe the posters were a detriment to the crusade for women's rights on campus. Not all of us men are assholes. Several of us take time to escort gender opposite friends to and from their homes and cars. The real issue is violence against women. I realize women need to get people thinking about this issue but unreasonable demands such as those proposed by the poster only get the hostile assholes thinking. Women really are short changed by the current security deficiency on campus but how can rebates that do not remove the real problem make UVic women safer? Don't rob Peter to pay Pauline, the asshole will rape her regardless of how much she pays for tuition. Come on ladies wise up and take a realistic approach to this problem.

David Brown

Shape up or ship out

Editors:

Evidently puritanism is alive and well at UVic. One would hope for more enlightened thought from a group of apparently educated people! I am referring to the bilge which appeared in the recent issue of *The Martlet*, regarding homosexuality. Perhaps C. White is unaware that Aids is rapidly becoming a heterosexual disease (he obviously is ignorant of the fact that it is devastating to ALL members of the population in Africa). The comment, "Do whatever gays do before you get Aids", not only reveals a narrow mind, but outright stupidity. If you one day contract Aids, Mr. White, don't expect too much sympathy.

To all you other cretins who profess not to be homophobic, I suggest you research the term in a dictionary. The language you used to express your thoughts on *The Martlet*'s sensitive coverage reveals both resentment and misunderstanding of homosexuality. If it too beyond your intellectual capacities to deal with such material, I recommend you transfer to Trinity Western in Langley, there you will be sheltered from the more enlightened views which you have such difficulty in comprehending!

Sonja Reid

A supportive choice

Editors:

The UVic Pro-Choice Action Network (P-CAN) offers its support and encouragement to the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance (LGBA) and *The Martlet* for its February 13 Valentines Day issue. Not only do we think the cover was in excellent taste, but we applaud the entire issue—full of thoughtful and educational information.

We live in a society based on power and control where groups like the LGBA and P-CAN daily face the brunt of attacks from the powerful. We must show support for each other and make connections between our oppressions if we are ever to receive the rights we deserve. Publications like the February 13 *Martlet* and events like the March 4 Pro-Choice forum represent crucial steps in our struggle—they are not only educational tools but are means for us to see we are not alone.

Once again, congratulations and thank you for a job well done. Hope to see you at the forum!

Heather Gropp
Pro-Choice Action Network

Tara–diddle–dee–dee

Editors:

I was greatly amused by the spate of sanctimonious tara-diddle in last week's Letter pages, courtesy of the whining baboon section of the UVic morality squad.

Accolades are due to the editorial staff for having the courage to print the penis and vagina photos on the front cover. The photos weren't pornographic. If all those people responsible for the twaddle and blah-blah about pornography really believed what they wrote, maybe they should initiate a campaign against the porno magazine and movie industry—the real source of unquestionable degradation (I'm not holding my breath on this).

Secondly, the nonsense about reverse discrimination and the unwillingness to accept the legitamacy of homosexuality as an equal expression of human love is plain, mundane homophobia. It is nothing more than a cheap cover for people who are obviously shaky about their own sexuality (usually the same people who feel the need to declare their sexual orientation at the beginning of a letter, just in case we might have got it wrong). The much-fluffed idea of human freedom means people are free to love whomever they choose, however they choose without interference of the small-minded and their constipated parochialism.

Once again *Martlet* staff keep it up, if only to keep the limpid puritans down.

John Kay

No to status quo

Editors:

Yes, Ms. Lush (and others who were disgusted or horrified by the valentine *Martlet* issue), we are being revolutionary: trying to cause change in the *status quo*. WE may be a minority, but like any minority struggling with inappropriate stereotypes (I heard many during Feb 13 – 18), prejudiced slurs and jokes, and self–censorship, there comes a time when each person feels the need to step beyond being a silent minority. We have to deal with many gay issues every day of our lives. We have to watch what we say, do, and wear, so as to fit into a society which does not want us visible. (We need courage to hold our lover's hand publicly, Do You?) I've been beaten as a "fucking faggot". I cannot associate my family name with anything gay, because of family 'censorship' (mild blackmail) due to "the possible social repercussions for the other members of the family..." Most people have no idea I'm gay, I'm just a regular, hard–working fourth–year science student...

The most important aspect of 'THE' *Martlet* issue was its ability to provoke thought and conversation on the subject of homo and bi–sexuality. Of course everyone is going to have their own opinion; keeping the subject on people's minds will help us achieve equality (though it may not seem so now).

Why do we feel the need to "force our viewpoint on others"? You choose to be indignant about the cover, or the issue, just as I choose to get tired of being engulfed by heterosexual music, movies, advertising (see any jean ads on TV lately?), etc. Put yourself in our shoes, and see the world. And then know why we fight, each in our own way, to shape a society which acts impartially with regard to matters of gender, sexuality, or sexual orientation.

Name withheld by request

"Fuck you,asshole!," *unknown Mohawk warrior at Oka.* **LETTERS**

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Skirting the issue?

Editors:

In response to the Violence Against Women committee's **Phallacy #$1: "If her skirt wasn't so short..." Fact: A woman's appearance does not invite unwanted sexual attention**

As much as I agree with the motives of the V.A.W. committee, the terminology used in "Fact #1" is fallacious in itself.

It is undeniable that short skirts attract sexual attention. The question of whether this attraction is unwanted or not is irrelevant. The sexual attraction exists regardless of intent.

If a "woman's appearance does not invite unwanted sexual attention," does this mean that a woman's appearance DOES invite WANTED sexual attention? Or are we to believe that short skirts are NEVER intended to attract such attention?

The fact is that both the intent to attract and the ultimate attraction are usually existent when provocative clothing is worn. That's reality.

This aspect of reality, however, has nothing to do with the issue of sexual assault. {Fact #1" is a misleading statement which eludes the principle (and essentially, decisive) factor when considering this issue, and that factor is consent.

The statement should, more realistically, read: "A woman's appearance does not give CONSENT for sexual ASSAULT."

J.D. Thornton

Open Minds, Unite?

Editors:

It's amazing, the amount of ignorance that abounds at, of all things, a UNIVERSITY!! Do you, Barry Erickson, or you, Claire Heffernan, understand the difference between pornography and the Valentine's issue of *The Martlet*? The main, and, I should point out (because it seems I have to), biggest difference is that one gets readership from harming or degrading human beings. Very few people seem to get the point that the Valentine's issue created a voice for an oppressed group. How, pray–tell, is that worthy of comparing it to pornography?? Just because people protested this issue due to ignorance and fear was no reason to stop it; it is greater argument to continue. There is a community out there that does not have it's needs addressed. It does not have a voice in the mainstream. The Alternative Press, of which *The Martlet* is a part, is specifically for these groups. *The Martlet* has a responsibility to show everyone that there is diversity in the world, no matter how taboo it is to homophobes.

Fear seems to be your only reason to object to that issue. Why else oppose giving space to a real and legitimate section of society, such as gays, lesbians, and bisexuals? *The Martlet* has heterosexual issues faced in the paper weekly. Mainstream press caters to your groups, Barry Erickson, and Claire Heffernan, every day. Where is the LGB voice?? In their own obscure and difficult to find, fund and publish literature; and in the Valentine's issue of *The Martlet*.

Carolyn Lush, why did you find the contents of the issue offensive? Yes, Carolyn, it was a sample of the student community. A rarely heard from sample. Get a grip. They exist. Gays, lesbians, and bisexuals have a right to speak. The LGB community is neither small, nor reactionary. They simply want fair treatment and equal access. I think one, small issue of a university paper is less than fair and certainly not equal. And, the cover did not portray violence or rape. It was a statement of mutual consent. It let people know it was all right to have homosexual feelings, despite narrow–minded and bigoted individuals that have the majority of the voice.

The Valentine's issue was meant to let people know that LGB issues are real. And that community needs to have as much of a say as any other. Move over. Open up. Just get over it and accept it.

Erica Bourgeois

Hear no evil...

Editors:

I would like to remind all students of the upcoming all candidates forums which will be held in the Sub Upper Lounge, Friday, March 20, from 11:30 am to 3 pm.

This is an opportunity for students to question candidates on issues important to them.

As well as candidates positions, Yes and No sides will be presented on the Health Plan Referendum.

Come out and grill a candidate.

Naomi Johnson
UVSS Chief Electoral Officer

Help find Michael

Editors:

The Dunahee Search centre operates out of a space donated by the Esquimalt Chamber of Commerce. Run by volunteers, it is located at the InfoCentre hut at Esquimalt Plaza on Esquimalt Rd. Posters and letters are constantly mailed out throughout North America, and if you need volunteer hours as part of your course, there is always a need for typists and people to package envelopes. As the one year mark approached (March 23), there are some fundraisers being held to raise money for stamps, envelopes, paper, etc to keep the centre going. The centre is also a place to find information on other missing children, and parents of missing kids have often phoned the centre for support and direction. The telephone number of the Michael Dunahee Search Centre is 361–3110.

Saturday, March 21: Dance: Cedar Hill Recreation Centre, $5.00 per person, Candu Music and Joe the Bartender, 500 people maximum. Sunday, March 23: "Keep the Hope Alive Drive": 5 km run: Cedar Hill Rec Centre. Fees: Adult, Child, Group Rates. Fees are with or without t-shirt. Prizes, ident kits done. Winners draw for the Prize Draw ticket also on Sunday..

Yvonne Bob
Volunteer

Talking about Natives...

Editors:

A reminder to everyone of some exciting upcoming speakers. On Thursday, March 19, at 7:30 pm in Clearihue A207, LILLIAN HOWARD will discuss 500 years, the Columbus Day Decelebrations planned across the Americas.

On Tuesday, March 24 in Cinecenta at 12:30 FAYE SOEHNGEN, a Native Storyteller, will tell some tales of different Native groups in the area.

These will be great opportunities, don't miss your chance to learn something new.

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Ralph Dan finishes a story about life in a residential school, turns over his hands, and traces his fingers over an egg-sized bulge on his forearm — the result of a thumb-width leather strap in the hands of a Catholic priest 40 years ago.

Smaller knobs of torn muscle and tendon rear up from his middle and index fingers.

"I don't know what word to use for it. Genocide, I guess," he says.

by James MacKinnon

GWELPA

'house on fire'

The Lil'Wat Nation challenges Canadian courts with an

Genocide. The word is the keen edge on what may be Canada's most important Native sovereignty case ever: a case the courts are unwilling to hear.

The Lil'Wat Nation, whose traditional lands encompass the Harrison-Lilloet Lake area, argue that no permission is needed from Canadian governments to begin the process of self-government. They say their right to sovereignty is constitutionally entrenched and has always ed in law.

The political and cultural expression of that right, they believe, has been suppressed by the genocidal policies of past and present Canadian and British Columbian governments.

The argument in law, presented by their legal representative Bruce Clark, is relatively simple in theory. *The Royal Proclamation of 1763* states, "such Parts of Our Dominions and Territories as, not having been ceded to or purchased by us, are reserved for them, and any of them, as their Hunting Grounds."

The Proclamation also prohibits the Crown from giving third parties, like forestry companies, rights to land not ceded or sold by Indian people, and forbids trespass on such lands.

Very little of B.C. was ceded or sold by its Indian peoples.

Clark further states the *British North America Act* binds the present Canadian government to British legislation. This foundation is backed by five court precedents which Clark says deny the B.C. government's legal power to extinguish Indian land rights.

Finally, the above is constitutionally protected in section 35.1 of the *Constitution Act of 1982*: "The existing aboriginal and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed."

In other words, The Lil'Wat claim the right to sovereignty is an existing right; they simply want the second half of the deal, recognition and affirmation, to come through.

The end result is a unique case. The rejected and appealed case of Delgaamukw vs. the Attorney General of B.C., initiated by the Gitksan-Wet'suwet'en, has been wrongly compared to the Lil'Wat argument.

The Delgaamukw case involves application for land rights through the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

The Lil'Wat won't acknowledge that court.

Until recently, no court on earth wanted to hear about it. British Columbian Supreme court Justice B.D. MacDonald refused the Lil'Wat's challenge to his jurisdiction, stating, "In the absence of binding authority to the contrary, I refuse to entertain the proposition that there are areas of this province and individuals therein who are not subject to the jurisdiction of this court."

As well, Bruce Clark's application on behalf of the Lil'Wat to the International Court of Justice at the Hague was rejected on the grounds the Lil'Wat Nation is not a recognized state.

The Lil'Wat believe the ICJ is the best place to objectively resolve the question of whose system of law applies to Lil'Wat territory — Lil'Wat or Canadian.

On Feb. 27, however, Judge K.J. Libby agreed in a Pemberton court of appeal to hear preliminary arguments which not only call his court's jurisdiction into question, but accuse it of genocide — as long as he didn't have to face the witnesses.

Only video taped or otherwise recorded material would be accepted.

Though Libby cited time constraints as his reason for refusing to face witnesses personally, it is clear he suspects the case is far-fetched, but is willing to entertain the legal possibility that the Canadian and British Columbian governments have been practicing genocide for well over a century.

He is also acknowledging the possibility, in theory, of convicting his own court of genocide.

The Lil'Wat charge the Canadian and B.C. governments under *The Covenant on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, 1948*, specifically Article II, which reads:

"Genocide means any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnic, social, or religious group, as such: a) Killing members of the group; b) Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group; c) Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part; d) Imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group; e) Forcibly transfering children of the group to another group."

Judge Libby seems sceptical he'll be convinced.

But Ralph Dan and many other Lil'Wat, however, have some answers for him.

Bridget Gabriel can't remember much of life before St. Mary's Catholic Boarding School in Mission, where she was sent when she was five.

When she arrived, she spoke no English; at school, speaking any Indian language was brutally forbidden.

"I can remember standing in front of the class and getting all excited and pointing to the back where the washroom was, and trying to tell them I needed to go to the washroom, and they wouldn't let me go unless I said it in English.

"I didn't know how to say it in English. It was really embarassing; I got made fun of a lot by my classmates. I was always wetting or dirtying my pants right in class because of that," she recalls.

Bridget was regularly beaten with a ruler or thick leather strap for speaking the Lil'Wat language. The same punishment was delivered any time she spoke to her sisters and brothers, many of whom attended the same school.

This went on for 10 years. Even in the summers, when some children were free to return home, Bridget had no respite. She was fostered out to white familes paid to accept her, many of whom treated her like a full-time maid.

A handful of foster families tried to make things easier for her, but every new home posed enormous risks.

prohib

"At this one point, I believe I was eight years old, or nine. It was the Christmas holidays, and my little sister and myself got sent to the same foster parents. That first night we had separate rooms. My sister and I had separate rooms, and their two kids slept in the same room.

"Get into bed and the father of the family come into my room, and jumped into bed with me, and ... he sexually abused me."

"I tried to scream out but he put his hand over my mouth and nose and he says if I told anyone he would go into the next room and do the same thing to my sister."

The abuse ended when the man's wife was turning the sheets and saw Bridget's blood on the sheets. She and her sister spent the rest of the holidays in the school.

Though the time Bridget spent in that home was short, recalling those days draws anger and pain to her face.

"There were times when the same guy that threatened my sister, he even said, like, 'And I hear you've got a couple of nice brothers too,' something like that.

"Man, I can't even think of his name right now. But I can still see him and smell him, eh?"

Bridget ran away several times, each time facing beatings when recaptured. At age 12, she and several friends made it to the U.S. border, where the guards were looking out for them.

The punishment had increased.

"When we got back to the school they strapped us in front of the whole school. We were just like 12 years old, just starting our puberty, and we had to take our pants down in front of the whole school, boys and girls, and get strapped until we cried.

"That first whack I got I just screamed — just the humiliation, you know."

Finally, 10 years later, she was allowed to visit her mother, and refused to return to the

HISTORY OF LIL'WAT RESISTANCE

1911 — Stl'atl'mx [St'at'yemc] Chiefs, present a paper denying the B.C. government's right to their territory.

1975 — Fifty-three arrested when Department of Fisheries seizes Lil'Wat nets at Lilloet Lake. The arrests are later acknowledged as wrongfully made.

1990 — July. Lil'Wat Peoples' Movement established to blockade Duffie Lake Road and assert Lil'Wat sovereignty. 63 arrests result.

1990 — September. Lil'Wat file with International Court of Justice, but, as of the present, have not been granted a hearing.

1991 — February. Blockade established to protest roadbuilding by International Forest Products in the Boulder [Ure] Creek area. The area is known as Mkwal'ts, an area of sacred spiritual intelligence [A7ax7] and burial site of Lil'Wat smallpox victims. Seven arrests result.

1992 — February. On appeal, the case for Lil'Wat sovereignty is allowed a hearing by Judge K.J. Libby in a Pemberton court.

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accusation of genocide

school.

Bridget no longer spoke any of the Lil'Wat language. Today she is trying to relearn it in order to teach her children.

All links to her relatives in Mt. Currie were gone. She recalls going from Vancouver to Mt. Currie for a rodeo, where an old man at the gate let her in for a beer. When she told her mother the story, her mother looked over at the man and said, "That's your grandfather you crazy!"

ts trespass

Ask Bridget about mental and physical harm, and about forcible removal of children. Ask her about genocide.

Or ask Curtis Saxie, the new guy in town. He has been in Mt. Currie for four months. Five months ago, he found out he was Lil'Wat.

"I spent 20 years living in Victoria and wherever else. I never knew my parents, I never knew my family," he says.

Curtis went into hospital for two weeks when he was six. When he was discharged, his family was gone — he doesn't know where or why.

For years, Curtis knew his roots were somewhere else, but had no clear idea where. His foster parents, fortunately, helped him search for his heritage. Finally, by chance, one of his cousins told him he knew Curtis's mother was in Vancouver.

"A couple of days after that I went to Vancouver to meet her. I then stayed with them for about a month. Then she passed away," he said.

Curtis returned to Mt. Currie for the funeral, and doesn't plan to leave, despite difficulties in adjusting to his new life.

"I feel like a kid, trying to catch on to the language and things, you could say, I should've had before. I'm suffering because I don't have any of this background. It's something I missed, something I missed for a long time."

Curtis now sees himself as a member of the Lil'Wat Nation. His brother, who was also fostered out, has not returned.

"My brother, he and I are almost opposite. His adopted family didn't want him to know his real family. He finally left. They allowed him to see me and my aunt now and then in Victoria, otherwise they wouldn't," he said.

Curtis is happy to be home, and is committed to his refound heritage. Staring at the ragged snowcaps of Mt. Currie, he makes plans to learn the language, garden, fish, perhaps hunt — in the traditional way.

"I don't want to use a rifle. In a way it's like bringing the colonialism in," he said.

Judge Libby can ask Curtis about genocide.

Or he might talk to Rosalin Sam. He should pick the subject carefully when she's driving. On a tight turn on the Lilloet Lake Road, her inside wheel presses close to its bay as she discusses a legacy of genocidal policies. Later, recalling her father and the house he left for her in Mt. Currie's old townsite, her 'heavy foot' eases back.

While others sat the blockade in 1991, Rosalin was in hiding with Chief Robert Satiacum, a Puyallup activist, for 16 months. He died in a Canadian prison March 25, 1991 after several severe heart attacks. She is eager for her year of mourning to end so she can resume the fight against the people ravaging her land and people.

Rosalin spent five years at St. Joseph's Mission, a residential school, but, having lived with her grandparents and had holidays in Mt. Currie, she still speaks her language fluently.

But her family, once so close, has never recovered from the divisions imposed by the Department of Indian Affairs.

"To this day I'll never forgive the DIA for splitting us up like that, because our family has never been that close since.

"That family link, that family togetherness, was broken. We were taught to depend on the Roman Catholic church."

Rosalin's house is small, condemned by the DIA, and over 100 years old. It lies in a valley which has flooded three times since 1984 — the result of overcutting on the valley walls, she said. It has no electricity, and the floor sinks away from the centre. Rosalin says if it burnt down she would live in the tiny shack behind it, rather than move from the valley where her roots remain.

It is another everyday action of political resistance, of resistance to genocide. She is content with any hardship she endures which separates her from non-native control.

Recently, she lost her $200 welfare because she works one shift per week at a dentist's office. Now, she lives through sharing with friends, gardening, taxiing in her truck, and collecting bottles.

Much of Rosalin's life was swallowed by a 19 year search for her son.

"I was just 16 or 17 when I had my son — 1967. MHR [the Ministry of Human Resources] told me I was too young to raise my son by myself. They told me I was too young, they told me that my dad and mom were alcoholics, they told me my grandparents were too old.

"They told me if I signed these papers they would look after him until I turned 18, because I still had to get my education ... being as young as I was and everything, I believed them and I agreed that I needed my education, so I signed the paper.

"They told me it was to help with his shelter, his food, and his clothing ... so I put my name on there and I then kept trying to see my son because they promised me that I'd be able to."

But the family always seemed to be away.

"When I did turn 18 and wanted him back I was told that I'd signed the adoption papers and he was adopted out when he was 10 days old.

"So they lied to me. Hundreds of times they lied to me."

After 19 years of searching with lawyers and on foot, she finally found her son. Though he has returned to Mt. Currie and now considers himself Lil'Wat, the anger and confusion the separation created is still being worked through.

"He's not the only one that they have done this to," said Rosalin. "There's at least 20 other children from Mt. Currie out there somewhere that the mothers are trying to find them. They did the same thing to them that they did to me."

Rosalin is thankful she could even have children. Some, she knows, were sterilized.

"A lot of my cousins, they've been sterilized. They've had one or two children and then they've been told they can't have anymore and they were sterilized.

"My brother, one of them, he's never ever had a child of his own. He was sterilized at a very young age. He doesn't even know when or how, he just went to a doctor and the doctors told him, well, I'm sorry, you've been sterilized a long time ago."

The stories run far back. Joe Joeseph was in a residential school in 1917. He recalls terrible beatings, but had an easier time than some because he spoke some English. His wife Rosie experienced the same, but remembers speaking Indian any time she could.

Of Rosie, Ralph and Joe, only Joe ever considered himself Canadian.

He spent years in the Canadian army, fighting in World War II and later schooling at an Ontario military academy. Finally, however, he saw Canada and the native community were not partners.

It happened during the first election that came up while he was in the army. "People were going to vote, and they said 'Now it's your turn,' and I went to vote and they said 'you're not a Canadian'."

Rejecting Canada has threatened Ralph's life. Arrested at the blockades, he refused to give his name, telling the RCMP they had no jurisdiction. In return, they refused to treat his diabetes for 10 days. It might have gone on longer.

"One of the guards told a doctor, and the doctor said, 'If you don't give him a needle in the next two minutes, I'll get all of you locked up'," he said.

The legacy continues. Rosalin fears the division of the community, as the DIA refuses to help her in her valley home, while building over 100 new homes over 10 kilometres away. Bridget vainly seeks answers about a PCB storage site many in the area feel threatens their lives.

Curtis worries about alcoholism and suicide in the community. And almost everyone in the community watches, in silent fury, as logging truck after logging truck rolls past, reaping the harvest of unceded land.

The winter was warm this year — no 10 day blizzard like usual, a lot less snow on Mt. Currie. Up the Pemberton valley, the feeding freshets of the Lilloet River run through growing clearcuts, swelling the river even this early in the spring.

The warm winter might be good — no flood. But the summer promises to be long and dry.

In the courtroom, as Lil'Wat people begin telling their history of stolen children, culture removed with physical and mental violence, sterilization, and poisoned resources, expect conditions to be hot, and getting hotter.

not having been ceded

Ralph Dan turns his hands back over and crosses them on his cane.

"I met this man in Vancouver, down in Chinatown. He used to be in charge of us when we were in St. Mary's School. What they did with us I remember very clear in my mind.

"So I just went right over there and picked him up, his feet were hanging there, and he said 'Who are you?'

"'I'm that little boy you used to beat up' — and he wanted to shake my hand."

Ralph shook it.

Maclean's magazine reported March 16 that "a mere nine per cent [of Canadians] agreed that natives should be allowed to act 'with complete sovereignty like a separate nation.'"

Allowed?

Guess again. The Lil'Wat Nation isn't waiting for permission. Ask Ralph Dan.

SPORTS

"What treaty that the white man ever made with us have they kept? None." *Sitting Bull*

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Vikes crews submerge UBC

by Ryan Buchanan

On March 15, Elk Lake provided the venue but UVic's competition might as well have stayed home for last weekend's Beaver Blaster and Elk Lake Spring regattas.

Saturday, sunny skies gave spectators great conditions to watch the Vikes sweep all six 500 m sprint races.

Sunday, drizzly and calm conditions emerged to no complaints from the Vikes crews. UVic's women's crews won 5 of 6 races while the men's team showed signs of mortality by dropping 3 of their five races over the 1850 m course.

Rival UBC went home after the weekend empty-handed.

The men's varsity eight's dominance on Sunday was summed up by coxswain Jay Bertagnolli: "basically it was a real mop up. The guys rowed hard but the competition just wasn't there."

UVic's eight finished first in 5:31. To add salt to the wounds of UBC, a pumped up Vikes JV eight outlasted the T-Birds varsity crew. This placed both UVic crews in first and second in the open division.

"Basically it was a real mop up. The guys rowed hard but the competition just wasn't there."

The JV's nipped UBC in 5:41.26 to the Bird's 5:41.87.

"The JV's rowed right through UBC and they held right in at the end and never cracked," said coach Howie Campbell.

"They maintained their stroke rate and powered through the water. It was great to see as a positive step for the long term of our program."

The JV's also posted UVic's other victory in the long distance races. The Vikes novice crew, after beating UBC in the sprints Saturday, succumbed to SFU and UBC in Sunday's race.

In the final two men's races, UVic's varsity four finished well back in third behind a Victoria City shell and Bruce McDermid rowed an open single to third place.

In the women's races, coach Rick Crawley admitted that he was disappointed in UBC's showing.

"I definitely don't think they were too happy going home empty-handed.

One spectator observed "it appeared as if they accepted their results, that they expected the results. If that's the case they definitely need an attitude change."

UVic's only loss in six races came in dramatic fashion in the open pair. Kristen Meisner and Lana Taves lost in less than three tenths of a second to a Burnaby Lake crew in a time of 7:36.23 to Burnaby's 7:35.90.

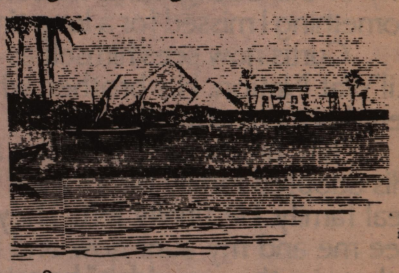
The women's varsity, JV and novice eights rowed to virtually uncontested victories in their divisions.

Highlighting the team's performance was the improving Novice eight, who competed and finished second in the JV race, upsetting the T-Birds JV crew.

"In a way it is sad that UBC didn't provide a challenge to our JV's, but on the other hand it was a real charge for the novice athletes," said Crawley. "But the novices and JV's are now building a friendly rivalry."

In the other two women's races, UVic was victorious in the open double and junior fours classes by wide margins.

This weekend the Vikes travel to the home waters of the rival T-Birds, which will serve as the last tune-up before the season ending regatta the following weekend in Augusta, Georgia. ❑



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ARTS

Photo by Penny Brown

GROUSE CALLER: Ron Stacey's paintings catch Kwakwawakw masks in mid-motion.

Unified art mystic

by David Clements

"You don't have to be a boat captain to know how to paint a boat, do you?"

This is Victoria artist Ron Stacy's response to people who question his ability as a non-native to portray and interpret native myth and culture.

Stacy is exhibiting his paintings of Kwakwawakw style masks and ceremonies in a cross cultural, two artist show.

"I wanted to add some movement and life to the traditional portrayal, and also encourage interest among non-natives about the myths I am portraying," said Stacy.

In his work with acrylics, he paints in an ominous, mystical mood to accompany the equally mystical tales.

In "Thunderbird", this strong supernatural being looms over the mountains, shrouded by grey clouds. Thunderbird authoritatively guards and observes the world, content to watch, for the moment.

Stacy began his career in art in 1962, when he painted a northwest coast native mask, carved by Willie Seaweed.

Vic Bosson, another Victoria artist, employs watercolour, ink, and pencil crayon in his interpretations of Japanese folk tales and Kabuki plays.

Bosson's fascination with Japanese life and history is obvious in his recent work.

"My interests lie in both the historical and the contemporary, and I find it difficult to limit myself to one or the other," he said.

The juxtaposition of the ancient and the modern results in a negation of linear time.

"Voice of the Crane" shows these aspects of Bosson's work.

The voice of the crane is the high pitched voice in which the emperor delivers official speeches. The crane is also all-knowing, and oversees all with grace and power. Emperor Hirohito is in the foreground, his back to printed representations of bloody battles. Bosson insists it represents the tragic civil wars of the twelfth century, not the events of the twentieth century.

Most other pieces are satirical rather than serious.

"Cloisonne Rooster" shows a computer reproduced rooster by a floppy disk. Intellectual humour? Perhaps, but it still managed to send a fellow observer, age 7, into fits of laughter.

The "Across Cultures" exhibition is happening at the Nunavut Gallery until March 28.❑

Presenting rap's brown side

by Andrew Mori

A Lighter Shade Of Brown
Brown & Proud
Quality Records, 1992

They're from the down side of L.A.

Lighter Shade of Brown is not black or white, but Hispanic.

Although the world at large has paid close attention to black rap, Hispanic rappers have been plugging away with little recognition for close to a decade.

While Lighter Shade of Brown uses conventional rap sounds, the lyrics make the difference.

In the title track, they use "Spanglish", which is a bit of Spanish combined with English. Two languages are not often heard in rap, but it fits in well. "Brown and Proud" is empowerment rap that has the rappers ODM and DTTX pledge allegiance to "red, white and green" and to "proud Aztec."

"El Varrio" depicts the ugly surroundings of their Hispanic neighbourhood.

The vivid portrayal of the grinding poverty, and the fierce pride of its inhabitants, makes it an equal to the depictions of Compton (a black ghetto in L.A.) by other rappers.

"TJ Nights" is the most accessible song, lifting the bass line of "One of These Nights" from the Eagles, and that jangly guitar riff from "Play That Funky Music, White Boy." It works.

This release is also significant because one track features the first Chicana rapper put on a record.

Tear Drop is her name and she claims to be the "brown queen...rockin' with the bass and treble."

They have broken the music industry's other colour barrier and transcended the language barrier — they must be onto something good.❑

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WORKSHOPS

SEXUAL ABUSE SURVIVORS GROUP: A 12 week therapeutic group for women survivors of childhood sexual abuse. Begins early April. Pre-registration required. Morgan Traquair, BA, B Ed, 388-4505 and Fran Thoburn, B Sc, 382-7143.

LOST & FOUND

LAS VEGAS LAST SPRING? If you or if you know of anyone who was at the Flamingo-Hilton Hotel, by the pool this past March 30, 1991 (Saturday, day before Easter). Good news and very important! Please call: (310) 424-7801.

LOST - HOCKEY PUCK. It has a thunderbird from Cardinia. On the back I.H.L. Please phone 477-0355. Big reward.

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POLITICAL CARTOONISTS. Socialist Party needs you. SPC, Box 4280, Station A, Victoria, B.C., V8T 2R9.

PSSST.

CALGARY HUH? Sjeesh. That's too dang darn bad. Can I send you a post card with red wine on it? Perhaps I'll send a zillion of them. To you. They won't say "from". That would be shitty.

Miss former U of M student of 4.5 years. Met you outside SUB morning of Feb.28 after you got off bus. Parted by library. Been looking, but haven't run into you. I now have to come up on the bus an hour earlier than when I met you. Still looking...S.

JOANNE-Saw you at Karaoke at Merlin's last Sunday. See you at 7:30 same table. D.C.

LISA-Karaoke Sunday night was a howl. Let's do it again.

KEPADA KEKASIHKU LONAKE, SELAMAT HARIJADI KE-21 HARI SELASA INI. SAYA HARAP KAMU AKAN BERGEMBIRA. DENGAN BANYAK KASIHCINTA.

Don't get lost in the year-end maze. find your way to the PEER HELPERS. Unicentre B202.

GIRL CAMPER: i'm honored to be writing to a girl who sounds so sweet what I'd "sincerely" like to say is, i'd really like to meet. the upper SUB this Friday, at noon would be a very good place to be. if you look for tan shorts, white shirt, and music, you'll find me.

BUNNY - Good luck on your exams - just wait till they're done...big surprise...

5 1/2 more weeks. Japan is so far away.

DEADLINE FOR CLASSIFIEDS IS MONDAY AT NOON. THEY MUST BE TYPED OR THEY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. 15 CENTS/WORD FOR STUDENTS (MINIMUM $2.25), 30 CENTS/WORD FOR NON STUDENTS (MINIMUM $4.50), 50 CENTS/WORD FOR BUSINESSES (MINIMUM $7.50).

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BILLBOARD

MARCH 19TH

LECTURE

WHAT'S WRONG WITH CHARITY? Free lecture and discussion, 7:30pm, Union Centre, 2750 Quadra St. Sponsored by the Socialist Party.

NATIVE SPEAKERS SERIES. Lillian Howard, Columbus Day De-Celebration. Topic: "500 Years of Resistance". 7:30pm, Clea A207.

"EVENTS OF 1492: A COMMEMORATION OR A MOURNING?" The Politics of Culture: The Return of Jews to Spain. Professor Joan Ullman, Dept. of History, U. of Washington. Green Room, Commons Block, 12:30-1:30pm.

MARCH 20TH

READING

CREATIVE WRITING SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATES. 1:30pm in the new Fine Arts Building, Room 103.

COFFEE HOUSE

CAFE SIMPATICO. A bi-weekly coffee house in the heart of Fernwood devoted to increasing awareness about issues in Central America. Slides and talk 8-9pm. Live entertainment 9-11pm. 1923 Fernwood. Admission $4 or $3 student or unemployed. Info: 384-1534.

MARCH 21 & 22

ULTIMATE SPRING INTO SUMMER " Ultimate tournament". Come and see some of the best frisbee players you have ever seen. Play "Ultimate" all day at UVic Sports Field, Sat & Sun.

MARCH 22ND

RUN

MICHAEL DUNAHEE. Keep the Hope Alive Drive. 5km Family Fun Run. Cedar Hill Rec Centre, 3220 Cedar Hill Rd. Start time: 11am. Cost: Adult with t-shirt $10/without $6, child with t-shirt $8/without $6. For more info call Scott at 595-7121.

MARCH 24TH

SPEAKER

NATIVE SPEAKER SERIES. Faye Soehngen, Native Storyteller. Topic: "Native Stories from B.C. and Elsewhere". 12:30pm, Cinecenta.

MARCH 25TH

NEPAL & THAILAND. Susan and Rob Gage spent 3 months travelling in India, Nepal & Thailand. In this illustrated talk they will focus on impact of tourism in these countries. 12-1pm, Central Library Multipurpose Room.

ONGOING

SUPPORT GROUP FOR DEPRESSIVES AND MANIC-DEPRESSIVES. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm, Friends Meeting House, 1831 Fern St., 382-1288.

83RD ANNUAL EXHIBITION of the Victoria Sketch Club, oils watercolours, pastels & acrylics. March 19-21 10am-7pm, last day March 22 10am-5pm. Glenylon-Norfolk School, 1701 Beach Dr. Admission free.

LEGAL INFORMATION CLINIC. Involved in a real or potential legal problem? Like to learn more about the law in a certain area? Drop-in: January-March. Tues. 11:30am-1:30pm and Wed. 5-7pm.

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ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS (A.C.O.A.) For people who grew up in alcoholic or dysfunctional families. Meetings on Mondays from 11:30-1pm in Clearihue C214 UVic. Please contact Liz at 477-2735 if you have any questions about A.C.O.A.

MUSLIM PRAYERS Salat-Ul-Juma is held every Friday at the UVic Interfaith Chapel. 1:30-2:30. Info. call 658-4320 or 381-6868.

BAHA'I PRAYERS. Drop in every Wed., 12-1pm. UVic Interfaith Chapel. Everyone welcome. "So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth."

THE SUB GREEN PLAN RECYCLING: Every Wed. from 11:30am until 1:30pm UVSS' SUB Green Plan Recycling Task Force will accept magazines, egg cartons, envelopes (with windows removed), corrugated and coloured cardboard. Materials must be adequately cleaned before acceptance.

BILLBOARD SUBMISSIONS MUST BE IN BY MONDAYS AT NOON TO BE IN THE FOLLOWING THURSDAY'S ISSUE.

CLUBS CALENDAR HELD FOR SPACE THIS WEEK. CLUBS INFO AVAILABLE IN MARTLET BACK ISSUES OR OFFICE

Feminist

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"They just want to bring them feminism. They see themselves as self-proclaimed eye-openers, and this is infuriating for African women."

"I find it ironic that western feminists claim to bring feminist alliances and networking to women who have been networking all their lives."

She said furthermore, issues that are important to African women are not addressed by western or black North American feminists.

For instance, clitoridectomies are sensationalized to the detriment of sex education for teenage girls, birth control, insufficient child care and infant mortality.

Clitoridectomies are operations where all or part of the clitoris is removed.

"Our fights are different," Abbenyi said.

"Western feminists are fighting for 80 cents on the dollar [pay equity], while African women are fighting for sex education and birth control. Our priorities differ."

There is no homogeneous black feminist thought, she said, and there shouldn't be.

"A standpoint wouldn't do much good. It would restrict us to certain things and exclude others from what we claim to be our own."

For dominant ideologies to change, Abbenyi said women at the margins "must move from their margins and carry the discourse of oppression to the centre, and then carry what is at the centre back to the margins."

However, she said marginalized women are in a better position "because they know what is happening at the centre and at the margins. The reverse is not true."

But most of all, "feminism will get somewhere in Africa when we include the average woman and learn from her."❑

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COMIX

"My name is YoYo/ I'm notta ho' no" *Yo Yo, woman rapper*

"A TRUE STORY"
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BUT BECAUSE I DIDN'T GIVE HER CHANGE, SHE STARTS MAKING (for lack of a better description) "CHINK TALK" TO ME...
YOW CHO FUCKIN FUNG DUN MOO YOU FUCKER!
HA HA HA HA HA
SO I TURNED AROUND...
...WITH LOONIE IN HAND...
...AND GAVE IT TO HER!
DESPITE WHAT YOU JUST DID TO ME, I GAVE YOU A LOONIE BECAUSE I HAVE RESPECT FOR YOU AS A HUMAN BEING THAN YOU DID FOR ME
PRETENTIOUS SCARF!
IF YOU LEARNED ANYTHING TODAY, IT'LL BE THE BEST BUCK I EVER SPENT!
Fin.
Tiny Wails
...SURE HOPE DR. KILOWATT GOT MY MESSAGE...

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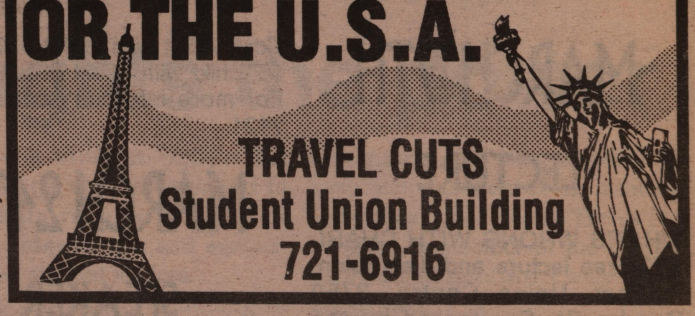

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Winter Session, 1992/93

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July 7 - 12	Continuing Year 3 students - with GPA LT 6.5 New Year 3 students
July 14 - 15	Continuing Year 1 and Year 2 students - with GPA 6.5 or above
July 15 - 22	Continuing Year 1 and Year 2 students - with GPA LT 6.5 New Year 2 students
July 23 - 29	New Year students not offered early admission
July 29 - August 2	Students in and unclassified year
August 2 & later	Students on probation Other eligible students when authorized

Check your Authorization to Re-register for your registration date and time.

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Monday	Noon-Midnight
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Friday	7:00 Am - 6:00 PM
Saturday & Sunday	Noon - midnight

NOTE: TREG will be closed from September 1 to September 7 inclusive.

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Michele Agostinelli

Hi! I'm Michele, and I would like to represent you on the Board of Directors. I am a first year student in Biology and Chemistry and I know what it's like to be on a waiting list, or not be able to find a place to park. I know what it's like not to know where to go for the best photocopying prices, or the cheapest beer. I also know how dangerous the campus is at night for women.

I want to address problems experienced by all students on campus. I will work for:

- freezing tuition fees
- a grant system for students and a reformed student loan system
- abolition of differential fees for international students
- available, reasonable student housing
- campus safety: better nightlights, proper bike lanes, better traffic control around Ring Road
- transportation alternatives such as cycling and public transport to alleviate car-related environmental concerns and parking problems
- raising consciousness about frequent rapes on campus, sexual harassment in classes, and date rapes among 'friends'

I would work on Week of Welcome events and campaigns, and with groups such as the Women's Centre and the Pro-Choice Action Network to raise awareness of these issues.

Kaaren Christ

I am beginning my second year in the Arts and Science. Last year I was involved in the VIPIRG recycling committee, and this year I helped the Students' Society to raise money for the Victoria Women's Sexual Assault Centre. I would like to encourage more students to get involved to create a strong student voice. In order to make UVic more responsive to the needs of students, I believe that a pro-choice approach is crucial. Education should not be restricted to the classroom. It should become more community oriented.

I will advocate for:

- Increased safety and accessibility for women on campus
- Expanded support for daycare
- Greater University participation in recycling pro grams
- A more environmentally responsible Student Union Building
- An adequate system of financial aid for students, hopefully including grants
- Legalization of secondary suites
- Improved bicycle storage on campus
- Safer bicycle routes to and from campus
- Increased awareness of car pools
- A more equitable method of addressing the over crowding crisis
- Continuation of the UVSS Health Plan

I am committed to these issues, and to increasing student participation in UVSS activities. Please vote March 25 and 26.

Janine Ede

This is my second year as a student at UVic. I'm an English major who is concerned about the state of our physical world, the decreasing availability of higher education, and the increasing influence of corporate, and technocratic values on our campus. In addition to working for political change, I hope to influence an increased sense of community amidst the diversity of our student body.

Past experience:

- 8 years work experience. Developed organizational and communicative skills plus an understanding of business/ administrative motivation and philosophy. 1979-87
- 2 years as Chair of GreenFuture Club at College in California. Projects included establishing recycle centre on campus, cooperating with Administration to incorporate green plan into SUB expansion, and newsletter publication. 1988-90
- member of UVic anti-war coalition. 1991
- member of VIPIRG newsletter committee. 1991-91

My intentions are to continue the efforts of the UVSS in the areas of:

- SUB expansion
- Campus green plan
- Equal access to higher education
- Accessibility to student employment, loans, grants, and scholarships
- Access to UVSS resources for women and other groups which face discrimination
- Expansion of day care facilities
- Increased student awareness and participation in UVSS activities

Elanne Grose

Education should be accessible to everyone, not just the financial and academic elite.

Ever-increasing tuition fees, inadequate student loans, underfunding, and insubstantial daycare are all factors creating a university system which is inaccessible to many people.

I am an Anthropology/Women's studies major, active in British Columbia's anti-poverty movement, the Women's centre, VIPIRG, and the Pro-Choice action network.

As a director I will work towards

- putting pressure on the federal government to develop a system of national grants, as is done in many countries throughout the world
- the eventual abolition of tuition fees (if the government had its priorities straight tuition fees would be unnecessary)
- increased federal and provincial funding to universities in order to end eltist registration policies
- better daycare on campus in order to make university more accessible to single parents
- establishing a Native studies program. As a nonnative I believe we must recognize racism as our problem. A Native studies program would be empowering for native students, and a much needed opportunity for non-natives to become educated and aware of native issues.

Nadia Kyba

My name is Nadia Kyba and I'm completing 3rd year in Political Science. As a candidate for Director of the UVic Students' Society, I'm interested in working for students' concerns and lobbying for student issues.

Educational Issues:

- We need to lobby the NDP to make good on their broken election promise to freeze tuition fees.
- Students at UVic are finding that our classes are getting bigger, while we have less chance of getting the ones we need: we need to lobby to end overcrowding and underfunding.
- I will lobby for an improved student loan system and better student employment opportuni-

HEALTH PLAN REFERENDUM

Are you in favour of renewing the students' extended health plan at a cost of $7.25 per month (optional family coverage at $13.95 per month) with 12 months coverage effective September 1, 1992 - August 31, 1993?

These Premiums include changes to the plan such as:

- 80% coverage of the cost of prescription drugs
- enhanced coverage on the services of a chiropractor, physiotherapist, massage therapist and naturopath.

YES SIDE

On March 25th and 26th UVIC students will have the opportunity to renew the student extended health plan. Students at UVIC have voted overwhelmingly in favour of the Health Plan over the last three years. The students' Society negotiates the Health Plan each year through the Canadian Federation of Students.

Last year, the Health Plan saved UVIC students $219,147 (this being the difference between the premiums paid and the claims filed). On average, UVIC students claimed $198 each.

Students should note that the Board of Directors has made some changes to the Health Plan being offered this year. To reduce premium increases, the 100% coverage on prescription drugs has been reduced to 80% coverage. To balance this, enhanced coverage on the services of a chiropractor, physiotherapist, massage therapist, and naturopath have been added to the plan. Under the new Health Plan, students will have coverage for the user fees associated with these services and have coverage for these services for preventative uses (this means that you no longer have to be injured in an accident to receive coverage). The services of a psychologist has also been added to the Health Plan.

These changes mean a more holistic Health Plan for UVIC students and will prevent premiums from increasing sharply.

Students can opt out of the Health Plan if they have existing coverage under another insurance plan.

VOTE YES FOR THE HEALTH PLAN

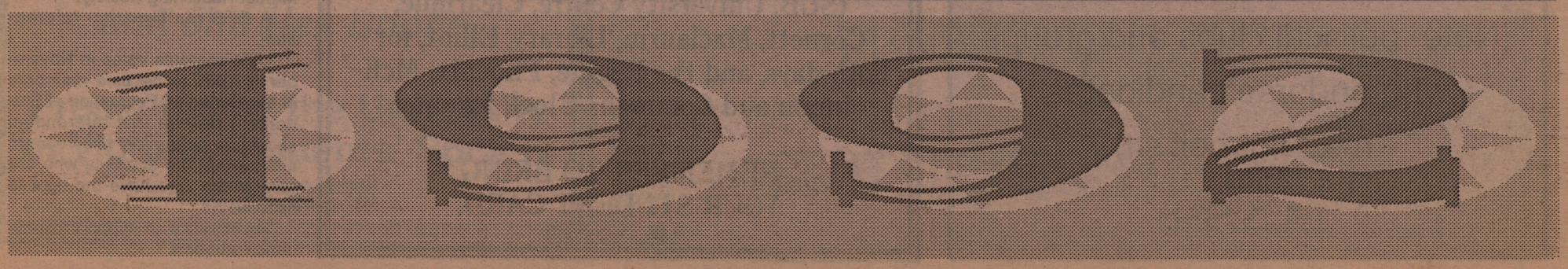
NO SIDE

The first year of the Health Plan cost $22.00
The second year it was increased to $40.20
The third year it was increased to $64.20
This year we are being asked to approve an increase to $87.00 a year and a cut of service.
The plan will only cover 80% of the cost of prescription drugs.

You should vote "NO" to this increase if:

You will not be using the plan to recover your $87.00.
You are able to opt out of the plan but have to pay the fee with your tuition and wait up to two months for your money back.
If you're concerned that a student who hasn't had their student loan money increased in two years, has to pay 20% more tuition and might not be able to return because of this fee.

If you have any questions, contact George Pringle.



Election Supplement

Directors

ties on campus and province-wide.

Women's Issues:

- We need to lobby for administration and faculty funding of the daycare.
- I support the current equity hiring policy and feel that we need to continue supporting pay equity for women on campus

Student Services:

- I will work for more lighting on campus at night.
- We need to lobby for affordable student housing in Victoria
- Students still need better bus service, with later service to campus.
- I would like to bring in more guest speakers, focusing in particular on women's and Native issues.

Gareth Morley

There is a struggle going on which we are all involved in, whether we know it or not. It is about who is going to have access to the power of this institution: the military/industrial complex and the upper middle class or working people and the oppressed. Despite all the fashionable talk about the tyranny of "political correctness", universities remain primarily research factories for corporations and the military and student factories in which women and gays are constantly threatened with violence and poor people are effectively excluded.

I promise to struggle for:

- The abolition of tuition with a living wage for students. A freeze will just "freeze" existing injustice.
- Affirmative action at all levels for the under-represented.
- Active solidarity with labor struggles, which means building picket lines, not crossing them.
- Making research serve human need, not corporate profit and military priorities.
- The creation of a revolutionary socialist party which, unlike the NDP, fights for a socialist society.

Tara Nargang

I am a fourth year student majoring in Environmental Studies and Psychology interested in making a difference on campus around the issues of recycling , transportation, student loans and women's issues.

Transportation:

I will lobby for:

- developing bike lanes at a municipal level
- reducing our current emphasis on cars
- implementing a university-wide carpooling system

Recycling:

I would like to build on the existing recycling program. We need a full recycling system in all university cafeterias and a recycling service for students' notepaper that is easily accessible.

Women's Issues:

I will lobby for a university-wide review of gender in curriculum to ensure that women-centered perspectives are an integral part of all courses.

Student Loans:

We need to improve the currently inadequate student loan system. In particular, I would like to work to ensure that students under 21, currently classified as "dependent" are given the opportunity to apply for loans.

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Jamie Nicholls

Arts and Science 2nd year.

Hi. I'm asking you to elect me to the board of directors and I'll tell you why. For sometime, campuses across Canada have been dormant. Here at UVic there is no true voice for the apolitical and no semblance of student solidarity. The reason why there is this apathy is because politics are pointless and boring. Even our current forms of student government reflect elements of the "clanism" that goes on in the political world outside school. I have a lot of ideas to change this but I need your votes. I would like to see this campus turn into a true community of students. Here are some of the things I would like to work on if elected:

- The establishment of a security patrol for the jogging paths around campus and at several buildings.
- A stronger clubs council and stronger course unions.
- The prevention of crass commercialization of Felicita's.
- More funding to cultural events.
- A change in the draft beer policy so that we can have open air events.
- The creation of a more accessible form of student government.

Janetta Ozard

Hi! I'm in third-year political science and I see the Board of Directors as a way of getting involved with student issues. I've been involved with UVSS for the last few years as a volunteer for the St. Patrick's Day Bike Rally, as the layout editor of The Emily, as a member of the Association for Peace and Justice in Central America, and as a member of the Women's Centre collective.

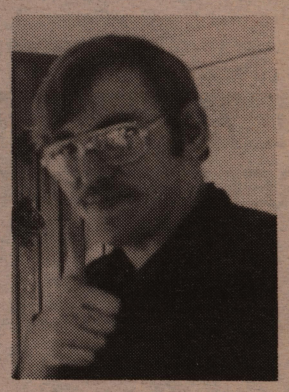
As a Director I will struggle for:

- freezing tuition fees through lobbying the provincial government
- better, affordable student housing
- re-evaluation of the student loan program
- the removal of differential fees for international students
- raising awareness of women's issues like campus safety, date rape and sexual harassment
- supporting the recognition of native self-determination and the implementation of Native Studies program
- increasing recycling on campus
- promoting transportation alternatives like cycling and car pools, and encouraging the administration to build bike paths and shelters

I would work towards increasing student participation in their Society. I support international student solidarity with organizations like 'Conamus' in El Salvador, I would work with organizations such as the Women's Centre, the Pro-Choice Action Network, and the SUB Green Plan Task Force on campaigns and speakers series.

Matt Pollard

Hmmm...my *platform* --is that what I'm supposed to use to raise myself above the rest of the student body? Seems to me that it would be hard to talk to anyone who's way up on a platform. Seems to me it would be sort of difficult to do anything from way up on a platform. I'd rather talk to you face to face, maybe over a beer. That way, you could tell me what *you* think--what *you* want to do. I mean, I could tell you what I study (third-year Poli Sci), what value(creativity, honesty, and above all a sense of humour), or what I think we should work toward (human equality, low tuition fees, more UVSS-sponsored social events-e.g. outdoor concerts, etc.), but I hope students don't want to be *Directed* what to think or do (if you do, maybe you should check out a career in acting). Rather, I think Directors should direct Student's ideas into Society action. I'm not saying I don't have opinions of my own -Directors should be individuals, not ideologies-I just think a director should be the creative tool with which students can shape their "Society" to their desires.



George Pringle

Hi, I'm George Pringle and I would like your support to be elected as a Director of our Student Society. I would like to work on the following projects.

The elimination of our $162,000 debt

The present Director of Finance has made some progress with our debt crisis. We must ensure that this progress continues without further cutting the scarce resources going to Clubs and Course Unions. The Martlet subsidy was cut by $4,000 this year. I would like to see it cut by $8,000 for the next four years and thus end the UVSS subsidy to the Martlet Publishing Society.

A CFS reaffirmation referendum.

UVic students voted in November of 1985 to become members of the Canadian Federation of Students. I believe that referendum should be held every five years to ensure that the students who are here at the time have the right to choose.

An increase of support to residence students

POLLSITTERS REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS' SOCIETY ELECTIONS.

All interested clubs and course unions please see the Electoral Officers in the SUB Resource Centre.

Polling: 9am until 5pm
March 25 and 26
$5.50 per hour

(Note- political clubs and groups who endorse candidates may not poll sit)

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Polling days are WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, and THURSDAY MARCH 26.

Watch for polling stations throughout campus from 9am to 5pm. (SUB, University Centre, Clearihue, Cornett, Maclaurin, Library, Elliot, for both days, and the Begbie, Phoenix, McKinnon and Commons Block for one).

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Directors

The UVSS has no formal ties with the United Residence Council. Both these bodies need to become involved in the other's activities.

I've been involved in student politics for three years and would like to serve you in my last year here. Please take the time to vote. Thank you.

B. Cameron St. John

• PLEASE NOTE: I Share my name with an infamous former student politician; we are not the same!!!

My energy will go towards:

- More safety on campus: better lighting near the Library and the bus stops, and more crosswalks on Ring Road
- loan access. To me, insufficient access to loans is the biggest barrier to education. Students who ask to be thousands of dollars in debt obviously have a will to work and must not be denied the opportunity!
- freezing the fees at the rate of inflation
- balancing the budget in the tough upcoming year
- increasing student input in the UVSS and other SUB groups. There is a lot of complaining about the UVSS fee, but too littl insight as to how to better use it.

My experience includes:

- Chair, Students for Environmental Action, 1990/1991
- Chair, VIPIRG, 1991/1992
- Member, VIPIRG Transportation Committee., 1991/1992
- Member, UVSS Student and Social Issues Action Committee., 1989/1990, 1991/1992

I wish to clarify something: I don't want your vote because of what I stand for; we all stand for similar things. I want your vote because I am experienced, hard-working and dedicated to serving student interests in an enlightened, serious manner.

Meghan Thompson

4th year Arts & Science

I have spent 4 years at UVic and in this time I have become interested in certain issues that I feel I could better pursue and have some influence on if elected to the Board of Directors. Removing the barriers that keep students from concentrating on their education is my main concern.

Experience:

- worked with UVSS Student Actions Committee 1991
- helped with UVSS Welcome Week 1991
- Anthropology Course Union Executive

Interests:

Increased access to a post-secondary education which includes:

- a tuition fees freeze
- establishment of a grant system
- affordable student housing
- lobbying the provincial government for increased funding at the post-secondary level
- improved access to daycare

Improved lighting on campus is desperately needed.

I want to continue the tradition of responsible student government that was started this past year.

If elected I am interested in sitting on the Daycare Committee, the SUB Completion Committee and a recycling committee.

David Wheatcroft

It's time to start having the UVSS do something for the students of this campus. ALL the students, not just special interest groups. Students on this campus pay too much into the students' society and get far too little in return, I want to change that!

Clubs and Course Unions:

- Better UVSS funding
- Increased opportunities for fundraising on campus

Student Union Building:

- Seek student input for events and services rather than allow a free reign for hired managers who are out of touch with what students want and need.

Martlet

- Encourage real input of the average student into what gets printed and not allow the Martlet to just pay lip service to this idea.
- Work for a PIRG style opt-out for Martlet portion of UVSS fees to encourage responsibility

Special Interest Groups

- This is the domain of campus clubs, not the UVSS. By divorcing the UVSS from biased support for special interest groups, funding for clubs can be increased thus allowing all views to be expressed in a fair and open manner.

Financial Responsibility

- I will not tolerate wild, careless spending on the part of the UVSS. We must get a grip on spending or there will be no UVSS

Executive

Director of Services

Kelly Greenwell

During my time at UVic I have served as both a volunteer and a paid employee of the University of Victoria Students' Society. For the past three years, I have worked in the diverse environment of Felicita's Lounge as well as volunteering at CFUV-FM as a rock D.J. and a board member. I was elected to the UVSS Board of Directors last May.

Some of my work as a Director includes:

- the SUB Green Plan Recycling Program
- the St. Patrick's Day Bike Rally
- the No More Waffling event held for Tom Perry, the new Minister of Advanced Education, whose government may not freeze tuition fees as ~~they~~ promised.
- the BoD Finance and Organizational Development committees.

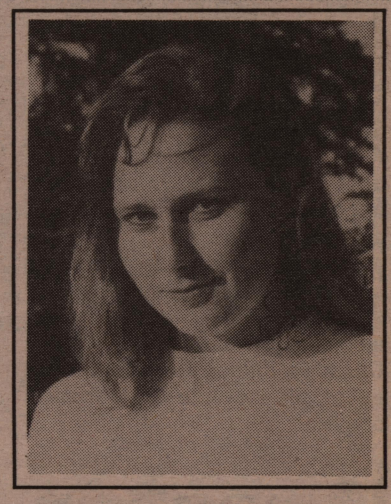
As Director of Services, I will work to improve the standard of life of all students. I will push for :

- better fundraising mechanisms for clubs
- a review of the process for distributing UVSS club grants
- increased access to post-secondary education
- a freeze on tuition fees
- an adequate system of grants and financial aid
- incentives for students who are traditionally under-represented in the post-secondary education system
- improved cycling conditions, and public transportation options to and from UVic
- improved night-lighting on campus
- legalization of secondary suites
- the reduction of disposable and chemical use in UVSS and UVic operations
- a more efficient recycling program on campus
- the recognition of native self-determination, and the understanding of all cultures on campus

Because my background in student life is so varied, I am familiar with the wide range of student concerns and those of many UVSS employees. Since the Director of Services deals with both students and staff, my experience as a Director and as a UVSS employee will be extremely valuable

On March 25/26, please come out and vote!

Director of Academics



Julie Hewlett

My name is Julie Hewlett and I am running for the position of Director of Academics because I believe accessible, quality post-secondary education is a fundamental right of everyone in this country.

Currently, many students and potential students face barriers

FREE OUTDOOR CONCERT ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1PM TO 3:30PM, in front of the SUB.

Featuring *Northern Junk*, and *Jho Nek Bhone.*

Presented by the University of Victoria Students' Society

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ATTEND THE ALL-CANDIDATES FORUM

GRILL THE CANDIDATES ON ISSUES IMPORTANT TO YOU.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 11:30 UNTIL 3:00

SUB UPPER LOUNGE

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such as astronomical tuition fees, inadequate financial aid, insufficient daycare, physical inaccessibility, inadequate resource materials for students with visual, hearing, and learning disabilities, housing and transportation shortages, racism, sexism, and homophobia. It is the mandate of the Director of Academics to fight to eliminate these barriers and, if elected, I am committed to doing so.

Over the past year as a Director and as a Student Senator I have worked to raise the profile of student issues, and have been actively involved in initiatives such as the "Freeze the Fees" and "No More Waffling" campaigns. With your support, I hope to continue my efforts in these directions.

In addition to fighting for access, quality of education is an issue I am committed to. Over the past two years the university has amassed a substantial fund called the University Endowment Fund. I believe there should be student input into the application of this fund, and that priority be given to areas such as the library so periodicals essential to research, particularly in Sciences, need not be discontinued, and resources for new departments and major programs such as Women's Studies, Native Studies, Environmental Studies, and Interdisciplinary Fine Arts reflect the needs of both students and faculty. In addition, I hope to strengthen the input of course unions to ensure the needs of all UVic students are met by their elected representatives.

I honestly believe that greater emphasis on education is vital to Canada's future. If you share this belief, please vote on March 25 and 26.

Director of Finance

Marne Jensen

My term as Director of Finance, along with my experience as a fourth year economics major, has provided me with the skills and knowledge to complete the projects I have been working on this year.

After inheriting a large accumulated deficit, I balanced the Society's budget in my first term, which meant a financial turnaround of sixty thousand dollars for the Society. This year, the Society is running a modest operating surplus, but the size of the debt requires a substantial budgeted surplus next year. If re-elected, reducing the Society's debt, while maintaining quality, cost-effective services for students, will be my priority.

Also, I will continue to work to make the Society's somewhat complicated budgeting process accessible to all Board members and students. Last year, I initiated a comprehensive budgeting process that encouraged participation from SUB staff and students. The budgeting process for the next fiscal year is already underway, and I would like the opportunity to provide continuity and maintain accessibility.

SUB expansion is another important project that will benefit from continuity. I have been working with the SUB expansion Committee for the last year and with the Administration's Requirement Study since January. While the Requirement Study is due to be completed by April 30th, I am running for re-election because I would like to see SUB-expansion through the planning and design phases. It is important that students' financial contributions result in a building they want and they will use.

As an executive on the BoD, I will continue to work to eliminate the barriers faced by low-income students, women, First Nations and other students of colour, differently able students, and lesbian, gay and bisexual students.

CHAIR

Dayna Christ

In the past year I have been actively involved in student issues through my work as Student Society Director. I am interested in continuing this work as Student Society Chairperson. My experience marks my interests in the issues that I feel are very important.

Previous experience:

- Board Director from 1991 to 1992
- Committee concerns have had an environmental focus:

  SUB Green Plan VP Administration Committee on Recycling, UVSS Recycling Bike Rally Committee and Transportation committee
- SUB Expansion: working to provide a new building that can better meet the needs of our student population.
- Personnel Committee
- Day care Management Board member: experience has helped me understand the importance of maintaining and improving our day care facilities in the new building.
- VIPIRG/NSU/UVSS Native Issues committee: organizing a speaker series.

Issues that are important:

TUITION:

- At UVic, it rose 9.26% in 1991/1992 and is projected to increase 31% in the next three years which amounts to approximately $500.
- The federal student aid programs has not been adjusted since 1984 with the exception of the 3% tax on loans and the elimination of the six month grace period on loan repayment.
- With tuition increase and decreased financial aid it is very difficult to get an education

Executive Committee On the Environment

- It is time that the University community become environmentally responsible
- A committee comprised of staff, faculty and students should be created to advise the office of the University President on the management of UVic.

Native Studies

- It is imperative that the University work together with the Native Community to make a program that reflects their needs and their form of education.

Health Plan

- The Health Plan is changing this year to incorporate preventive medicine with naturopathic, chiropractic and massage treatment - maintaining the Plan is vital.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE MARCH 25TH & 26TH!

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(SUB, UNIVERSITY CENTRE, CLEARIHUE, CORNETT, MACLAURIN, LIBRARY, ELLIOT, WILL BE OPEN FOR BOTH DAYS, AND THE BEGBIE, PHOENIX, MCKINNON AND COMMONS BLOCK FOR ONE).

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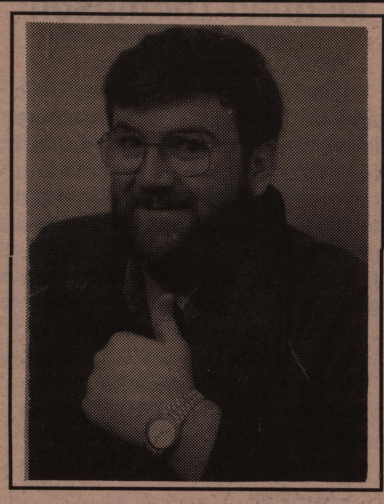

William Clark

After I've had a rewarding campaign for the Senate, why should you vote for me, Bill Clark, for UVSS Chair? Because this time, it's for money! That's right, I'm in it for the money. Along the way, however, let's see what can be done to improve life for you, the student.

I advocate:

- SUB expansion, including an indoor luge run with artificial snow
- cutting off the Martlet. They can print anything they want, but we shouldn't have to pay for it
- changing the name of the UVSS to "Grossly Obnoxious Overbearing Fanatics Society" or "GOOFS"
- returning the focus to issues that affect a broad range of students directly (eg. fees, overcrowding, underfunding, etc.) rather than trying to right all society's wrongs in a weekend
- apologizing for the previous bit of logic and clear thinking. It won't happen again

Please vote for me because:

- I'm smarter than the average bear
- I've never intentionally killed anyone
- I make an excellent hand shadow of a dog, good for seconds, if not minutes of amusement
- It's better than not voting at all

Thanks for your time. Even if you don't vote for me, please vote.

Remember, you'll be stuck with them, so choose carefully.

Bruce the Rubber Chicken

(aka Rob Coenen):

Tired of hearing the same boring lines from the same types of candidates? Well, now is your chance to stand up and make a change! Vote non-human — vote Bruce the Rubber Chicken. As your UVSS President I promise:

- To ban the sale of all chicken products from any university cafeteria.
- To do everything in my power to end the evil monopoly of liquor control by Food Services, to be replaced with Bruce's Partytime Catering (an organization to which I have NO ties).
- To institute an equal-opportunity program for poultry...I want to see a campus where chickens, real or rubber, can learn and teach without fear of frying.
- To work to have Vaseline fully covered by the health care plan.
- To establish a 7-11 on campus.
- To lobby for a plucked hens night at Felicita's.
- To institute intensive educational campaigns about pork, the other white meat.
- That as the definitive safe-sex candidate (I'm made from 100% recycled condoms) I will promote the use of rubber in all forms of naughtiness.

Remember, I will not limit myself this platform. If you have any concerns, just pass them on with $50 and I will be sure to give them fair hearing — I am the people's chicken! So get out on March 25 and 26 and vote for me! Vote for Bruce the Rubber Chicken!

THERE WILL BE A YES / NO BALLOT FOR THE THREE UNCHALLENGED EXECUTIVE POSTITIONS